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PURPOSE:

To provide the Commissioner with information regarding concurrent Support Freedom Convoy events in Manitoba

ISSUE:

Freedom Convoy Support demonstrations are continuing in Manitoba.
Update for February 16th 2022 0900hrs.

BACKGROUND:

The Support Freedom Convoy was created as a means for truckers and others to demonstrate against cross-border Covid vaccine mandates and in support of the Freedom Convoy in Ottawa.

CURRENT STATUS:

As of 0900 the Emerson POE remains blockaded. All other POEs within Manitoba remain open and have no protest activity.

Protester activity observed this morning indicates site clean up and vehicles being readied to move. Anticipated departure of the group is for 1200hrs.

D Division Communications is preparing for an on-site media event this morning at 1030hrs

Current weather (snowfall and blowing snow) Manitoba may impact timings.

Protesters continue to allow movement of all livestock transport, CBSA employees, emergency services vehicles and not impeding residential traffic from the town of Emerson.

RCMP resources continue to remain on site monitoring protest activity.

OTHER KNOWN/PLANNED EVENTS:

The demonstration/occupation at the Manitoba Legislature is still ongoing.

Organizers at this location have made an announcement on demobilizing the demonstration based on recent announcements from the Premier committing to easing of restrictions and certain vaccine requirements.

As of 2022-02-15, the demonstration/occupation at the Manitoba Legislature is still ongoing.

Information is coming in on another large truck convoy moving from Western Canada and believed destined to support the Ottawa blockade.

This group is anticipated to arrive in the Winnipeg area later this date. D Division is actively monitoring and will report on movement/activity of this convoy.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

Situations are on-going and will be continuously monitored. At present D Division has sufficient resources available to manage these concurrent events.

D Division Criminal Operations and Manitoba East District have an operational plan to effect the take-down of the blockade should protesters deviate from this agreement.

D Division Communication is engaged with prepared messaging for the public and responses to media inquiries.

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